

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-14 (canceled)

Claim 15 (currently amended): [[An]] A video information processing apparatus according to claim 12, associated with a blinking light source, comprising:

an input device configured to input video information;

a memory device configured to store identification information corresponding to a blinking pattern of the blinking light source;

blinking light decoder for converting the blinking pattern of the blinking light source, blinking in the video information input by said input device, into corresponding identification information on the basis of the identification information stored in said memory device; and

a video processing device configured to selectively process the input video in accordance with the identification information converted by said blinking light decoder,

wherein said blinking light decoder includes means for dividing a video in a number of video elements arranged in a matrix pattern, means for calculating a motion vector at each of the video elements and means for determining as a region to be processed a portion having a motion vector different from a background.

Claim 16 (currently amended): [[An]] A video information processing apparatus according to claim 12, associated with a blinking light source, comprising:

an input device configured to input video information;

a memory device configured to store identification information corresponding to a blinking pattern of the blinking light source;

blinking light decoder for converting the blinking pattern of the blinking light source,
blinking in the video information input by said input device, into corresponding identification
information on the basis of the identification information stored in said memory device; and
a video processing device configured to selectively process the input video in
accordance with the identification information converted by said blinking light decoder,
wherein said blinking light decoder includes a detector configured to detect as a region to be processed a portion where a hue histogram greatly changes in a video region expanded from a portion of the blinking light source.

Claims 17-25 (canceled)